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BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Application for Approval of Affiliated Interest Agreement
Between Wisconsin Electric Power Company and Wisconsin
Gas Company

05-AG-101

NOTICE OF INVESTIGATION

THIS IS AN INVESTIGATION pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 196.52 to consider the June 9, 2003, request of Wisconsin Gas Company and Wisconsin Electric Power Company (WGC and WEPCO respectively) for approval of an affiliated interest agreement between them. The proposed affiliated interest agreement would establish a process for WEPCO's gas operations to assign interstate capacity and related tariffed services of Viking Gas Transmission Company (Viking) to WGC providing operational flexibility and efficiency for both WGC and WEPCO in meeting both their contractual and public utility obligations.

WGC is a wholly-owned subsidiary of WICOR, Inc. (WICOR). WICOR and WEPCO are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Wisconsin Energy Corporation. WGC and WEPCO are public utilities subject to the jurisdiction of the Commission and are affiliates under Wis. Stat. § 196.52(1).

Under the proposed affiliated interest agreement WEPCO's assignment of Viking capacity to WGC would assist WGC in fulfilling its responsibilities and obligations contained in Federal Energy Regulatory Commission settlement, FERC Docket Number Viking Gas Transmission CP00-391-000. As part of that agreement WGC is required, under certain conditions, to flow minimum gas volumes into ANR Pipeline Company's system at Marshfield, Wisconsin.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission considers it necessary, in order to carry out its duties, to investigate all books, accounts, practices, and activities of the applicant. The expenses incurred or to be incurred by the Commission which are reasonably attributable to such an investigation will be assessed against and collected from the applicant in accordance with the provisions of Wis. Stat. § 196.85 and Wis. Admin. Code ch. PSC 5.

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Jodee J. Bartles at (608) 267-9859.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, _____

By the Commission:

Lynda L. Dorr
Secretary to the Commission

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